



FIFTH AVENUE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT  
DECEMBER 23, 2018 • 11:00 AM



*Adoration of the Shepherds, from the Ivan Honchar Museum collection, c. 1670.*

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THIS IS GOD'S HOUSE. ALL ARE WELCOME.

## WELCOME TO FIFTH AVENUE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Whether you are visiting for the first time, or are a longtime member, we are blessed to have you with us.

The cover of this bulletin reads, “This Is God’s House. All Are Welcome.” We take these words seriously. We strive to be a community as diverse and hospitable as God’s kingdom. We don’t all look or act alike; God *knows* we don’t all think alike. We don’t all read the Bible the same way. We bring different questions, and we carry different burdens. But every Sunday, we worship together as one.

In this grand old church, we do Sunday morning in some pretty traditional (very Presbyterian) ways. We study the teachings and the actions of Jesus. We sing many of the same hymns our grandparents sang. Yet, in our preaching and our prayers, we wrestle with the challenges of the modern world. I hope your heart will hear something personal and relevant this morning—a word of comfort, a spur to action, a call to a deeper relationship with God.

After the service, please stick around. Take a tour of the church. Have a cup of coffee with us. Introduce yourself to one of our clergy. There are tons of opportunities here to feed your soul and expand your spirit. Try one out. You never know—you just might be home!

**Scott Black Johnston**  
Senior Pastor

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### If You Are New Here

Please fill out the Welcome card you will find in your pew. (The ushers can also provide one.) Place the card in the offering plate, hand it to an usher, or drop it off at the Visitors Table (inside the Fifth Avenue entrance). You may also complete the Welcome card online at [fapc.org/welcome](http://fapc.org/welcome). The folks at the Visitors Table can provide you with information about our ministries and programs, volunteer opportunities, and the history of this congregation, which has served New York City since 1808. We also invite you on a guided tour of the church, starting from the rear of the Sanctuary shortly after the service.

### These May Help During the Service

If you would like a large-print bulletin or a hearing-enhancement device, please ask an usher. You may return the hearing-enhancement device to the rear of the Chapel or Sanctuary after the service.

### Welcoming Children

Children are always welcome! The ushers can provide a worship bag or children’s Bible to keep your child engaged. (You may return these materials at the end of the service.) If you need to step out to attend to your child, we invite you to use our Family Room, located at the north end of the Gallery, just outside the Sanctuary (check the map on the back of the bulletin for the location). We also provide childcare for infants and toddlers from 9 am until 12:30 pm, downstairs in the LaDane Williamson Christian Education Center. Learn more about our Family Ministries at [fapc.org/grow](http://fapc.org/grow).

### If You Are in Need of Prayer

Deacons (wearing white stoles) are available to pray with you after the service. Your prayers are confidential unless you request they be shared with our Congregational Care staff. You may also complete a prayer request card (available in the pews and at the entrances) and place it in the offering plate or hand to an usher. You may submit prayer requests online at [fapc.org/pray](http://fapc.org/pray).

### Help With Parking

We have a parking arrangement with the garage at 51 W. 56th St. For \$16, you may park for up to three hours, seven days a week. Ask for discount coupons at the 55th Street reception desk.



### Worship Resources Online

You will find information about future worship services (including the bulletin for the upcoming Sunday) at [fapc.org/worship](http://fapc.org/worship). Recorded sermons are available at [fapc.org/sermons](http://fapc.org/sermons) and via podcast on iTunes. This morning’s Prayers of the People can be found at [fapc.org/pray](http://fapc.org/pray).

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

*As the Prelude begins, we invite you into a period of quiet reflection as we prepare for worship.  
Please **silence all electronic devices** and **do not take flash photos** during the service.*

### PRELUDE

*La Nativité du Seigneur* ("The Nativity of the Lord")  
*III. Desseins éternels* ("Eternal Designs")  
*Olivier Messiaen (1908–1992)*

### \* CALL TO WORSHIP

*Elder Josie Lawrence*

One: God is on the way.

**All: The stars are hushed.  
The world holds its breath.**

One: God is on the way.

**All: Angels lean forward.  
Shepherds pause.**

One: God is on the way.

**All: A woman labors.  
A father paces.**

One: God is on the way.

**All: We are waiting.  
We are hopeful.**

One: God is on the way.

### \* HYMN 83

**Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus**

### \* LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE

*David Blodgett, Chloe Ann and Erica Moffett, and Sarah Wolpert*

### \* SUNG RESPONSE



A can - dle is burn - ing, a can - dle of love,  
a can - dle to point us to hea - ven a - bove.  
A ba - by for Christ - mas, a won - der - ful birth,  
for Je - sus is bring - ing God's love to our earth.

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\* CALL TO CONFESSION  
*The Rev. Werner Ramirez*

\* PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you  
in thought, word and deed, by what we have done,  
and by what we have left undone.  
We have not loved you with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.  
In your mercy, forgive what we have been,  
help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be,  
so that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your holy name.

*Silent Reflection and Confession*

\* SUNG RESPONSE

(Cantor sings once; then the congregation joins, singing once.)

Musical notation for the Sung Response, Kyrie eleison. The first line shows the Cantor's part: Ky - ri - e e - le - - - i - son, with a long note on 'le'. The second line shows the congregation's part: Chri - ste e - le - - - i - son, with a long note on 'le'.

\* ASSURANCE OF PARDON

\* RESPONSE OF PRAISE

Musical notation for the Response of Praise. The first line: Peo-ple look east. The time is near of the crown-ing of the year. The second line: Make your house fair as you are a - ble, trim the hearth and set the ta - ble. The third line: Peo-ple look east and sing to - day: Love the guest is on the way.

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\* PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: The peace of Christ be with you.  
All: And also with you.

Children (pre-K through second grade) are invited to the front of the Sanctuary to depart for Children's Church. If this is your child's first time in Children's Church, please fill out the purple label in the pew rack and affix to your child's back.

LITANY OF PARTING

Congregation: May God be with you there.  
Children: May God be with you here.

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

*The Rev. Dr. Charlene Han Powell*

### ANTHEM

*O Magnum Mysterium (“O Great Mystery”)*

*Morten Lauridsen (b. 1943)*

*Text: Responsorial chant from the Matins of Christmas*

<i>O magnum mysterium,</i>	O great mystery,
<i>Et admirabile sacramentum,</i>	And wondrous sacrament,
<i>Ut Animalia viderent Dominum</i>	That animals should see the
<i>Natum, jacentem in praesepio!</i>	New-born Lord, lying in their manger!
<i>Beata Virgo, cujus viscera</i>	Blessed is the Virgin whose womb
<i>Meruerunt portare</i>	Was worthy to bear the
<i>Dominum Christum. Alleluia!</i>	Lord Jesus Christ. Alleluia!

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

#### SCRIPTURE LESSON

*Luke 2:1-16*

In those days a decree went out from Emperor Augustus that all the world should be registered. This was the first registration and was taken while Quirinius was governor of Syria. All went to their own towns to be registered. Joseph also went from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to the city of David called Bethlehem, because he was descended from the house and family of David. He went to be registered with Mary, to whom he was engaged and who was expecting a child. While they were there, the time came for her to deliver her child. And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in bands of cloth, and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn.

In that region there were shepherds living in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, ‘Do not be afraid; for see—I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord. This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger.’ And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying, ‘Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace among those whom he favors!’

When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, ‘Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us.’ So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger.

One: This is the Word of God; for the People of God.  
All: **Thanks be to God.**

#### SERMON

*The Rev. Dr. Scott Black Johnston*

### **“Christmas at Luke’s House”**

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\* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

*The Apostles' Creed*

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
the Maker of heaven and earth,  
and in Jesus Christ, his only son, our Lord:  
Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,  
born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, dead and buried;  
He descended into hell.  
The third day he arose again from the dead;  
He ascended into heaven,  
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;  
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Ghost;  
the holy catholic church; the communion of saints;  
the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body;  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

\* HYMN 128

**Infant Holy, Infant Lowly**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

*("...and forgive us our debts...")*

THE OFFERING

*You may text your offering to 646.491.8331*

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

*A Babe Is Born • William Mathias (1934–1992)  
Text: Anonymous, 15th century*

A babe is born all of a may,  
To bring salvation unto us.  
To him we sing both night and day,  
*Veni creator Spiritus* (Come creating spirit).

At Bethlehem, that blessed place,  
The child of bliss now born he was;  
And him to serve God give us grace,  
*O lux beata Trinitas* (O Trinity of blessed light).

There came three kings out of the East,  
To worship the King that is so free,  
With gold and myrrh and frankincense,  
*A solis ortus cardine* (From lands that see the sun rise).

The angels came down with one cry,  
A fair song that night sung they  
In worship of that child:  
*Gloria tibi Domine* (Glory to you, Lord).

A babe is born all of a may,  
To bring salvation unto us.

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To him we sing both night and day.  
*Veni creator Spiritus,  
O lux beata Trinitas,  
A solis ortus cardine,  
Gloria tibi Domine.  
Noel!*

\* DOXOLOGY

**Hymn 606**

\* OFFERTORY PRAYER

\* HYMN 143

**Angels, from the Realms of Glory**

\* BENEDICTION

*Please remain in your pew until the conclusion of the Choral Response.*

\* CHORAL RESPONSE

Thou Shalt Know Him When He Comes • *Mark G. Sirett (b. 1952)*  
*Text: Anonymous*

Thou shalt know him when he comes,  
Not by any din of drums,  
Nor his manners, nor his airs,  
Nor by anything he wears.  
Thou shalt know him when he comes,  
Not by his crown or by his gown,  
But his coming known shall be,  
By the holy harmony which his coming makes in thee.  
Thou shalt know him when he comes. Amen.

POSTLUDE

*La Nativité du Seigneur* ("The Nativity of the Lord")  
*IX. Dieu parmi nous* ("God Among Us")  
*Olivier Messiaen*

The ministry of music this morning is offered by:  
The Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church Choir  
Dr. Ryan Jackson, *William S. Perper* Director of Music and Fine Arts Ministries  
Patrick Kreeger, *Associate Organist*

## WORSHIP NOTES

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Morten Lauridsen's setting of the ancient hymn *O Magnum Mysterium* has become a standard Christmas choral favorite throughout the world since its composition in 1994. As an introductory note to the piece, Lauridsen writes, "For centuries, composers have been inspired by the beautiful *O magnum mysterium* text with its juxtaposition of the birth of the new-born King amongst the lowly animals and shepherds. This affirmation of God's grace to the meek and the adoration of the Blessed Virgin are celebrated in my setting through a quiet song of profound inner joy." This modern classic has become the all-time best-selling choral octavo distributed by Theodore Presser (which has been in business since 1783!).

The organ music comes from Olivier Messiaen's monumental suite of nine Christmas meditations for organ, *La Nativité du Seigneur* ("The Nativity of the Lord"). Messiaen was one of the most important composers of the 20th century, and his sizable output for organ is among the most significant contributions to that repertoire since J.S. Bach. By employing many of his own compositional innovations (such as his famous modes of limited transposition, nonretrogradable rhythms and the incorporation of notated birdsong), Messiaen creates a distinctive and unique musical world rife with symbols alluding to his mystical Christian faith. *Dieu Parmi Nous* ("God Among Us"), the final movement of the suite, is a brilliant musical depiction of Christ descending into the chaos and busyness of 20th-century urban life: the piece opens with a striking descending figure, the rhythms and pitches of which serve as the material to be developed throughout the rest of the piece. After a brief oasis of calm, chaos ensues, including an extended section that creates a musical soundscape of the busy streets of Paris, complete with honking car horns! The chaos is interrupted by the descending figure introduced at the beginning, but this time it sounds as an ascending fanfare on the organ's loudest reed stops. This fanfare serves to introduce one of the greatest toccatas ever written for organ in the French style, with rhythmic chords atop a dramatic statement of the descending Christ figure repeated in the pedals. After another brief episode of chaos, the toccata resumes and leads dramatically to a fascinating progression of chords that finally comes to rest in E major: Christ has arrived—harmony is restored!



## CHRISTMAS FLOWER FUND MEMORIALS

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Joseph Sussman	John Givens Althouse
Brendan Gilliat-Smith	Emily Jean Moreland
Grail & Agnes Hanford	William Vincent Campbell
Suzanne Komonthourous	Elizabeth Carlton
Mr. & Mrs. Edwin Lot	Charles W. Hubbard
Dr. Margaret & Roger Parke	Myrtle J. Hubbard
Mr. & Mrs. James Lewis Skerritt	Betty J. Pond
James Lewis Skerritt, Jr.	Cecil E. Pond
Joyce Skerritt	Eve Thalís
Marylou Skerritt	William Howard Thompson
Ann Stark	Jacob Nahirny, Jr.
Mr. & Mrs. Benjamin Thomas	Laurie McLendon
Ruth E. Thomas	Marilyn Ulius
Anne Whitmore	Jacquelyn Sapiie
Dr. Elizabeth Maysillas	Marilyn P. Ernst
Mrs. Margaret Skinner	George & Mary Jane McCullough
Mrs. Joyce Shoup	Joan Krueger
Marcia Parker	Stanley & Doris Motylewski
David Lownes	Clarice W. Weld
Rudolph & Laima Barth	Jerry Arlen
Juno Mei Chen	Women's Association Members of the Past & Present
Mr. and Mrs. James L. Wilbanks Jr.	Sally Dow
Hazel and Marie Carden	Art McEvoy
Mr. and Mrs. Albert F. Watters	

## CONGREGATIONAL CARE

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### ***Caregiving Ministries***

Fifth Avenue provides space for several community-based ministries and programs. All are open to members and friends of the church. Check the lobby monitor for specific room locations.

### **Alcoholics Anonymous + AA Beginners**

Monday – Thursday, 12:30 pm • [ny-aa.org](http://ny-aa.org)

### **Al-Anon**

Tuesdays, Thursdays & Fridays, 12:30 pm • [nycalanon.org](http://nycalanon.org)

### **The Compassionate Friends: A support group for grieving families**

Second & fourth Tuesdays, 7 pm • [compassionatefriends.org](http://compassionatefriends.org)

### **Fifth Avenue Ecumenical Outreach: Social services for persons experiencing homelessness**

Monday – Thursday, 2–5 pm • Contact: John Sheehan, LMSW ([jsheehan@fapc.org](mailto:jsheehan@fapc.org))

### **Health Advocates for Older People**

Strength & weight exercise class • Wednesdays, 11 am • [hafop.org](http://hafop.org)

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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### Today

- 9 am** **Coffee Cart.** Bonnell Hall. Continues until 1 pm.
- 9:30 am** **Worship.** Kirkland Chapel.  
**Little Lambs and Sunday School.** Both in the LaDane Williamson Christian Education Center.
- 10:15 am** **Children's Choir.** LaDane Williamson Christian Education Center.
- 11 am** **Worship.** Sanctuary.
- 11:15 am** **Children's Church.** Kirkland Chapel & Christian Education Center.
- 12:15 pm** **Fifth Avenue Caroling.** Fifth Avenue steps.  
**Meet & Greet.** The Gallery. All are invited (visitors especially!) to join the pastors, staff and fellow members for conversation and coffee after worship.  
**Historical & Architectural Tour.** Meet in Kirkland Chapel immediately following the 11 am service.
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### This Week

**Wed Dec 26** **Christmas holiday.** Building closed.

### Coming Up

**Sun Dec 30** **Worship.** 11 am – Sanctuary. The Rev. Kellie Picallo, preaching.  
*There is no 9:30 am service today.*

**Mon Jan 1** **New Year's Day holiday.** Building closed.

**Jan 6** **Working with People Experiencing Homelessness.** 12:30 pm – Corning Logan Room. Instructor: John Sheehan.

### **Christmas Eve • Monday, Dec. 24**

Family Ministries Christmas Eve. 4 pm – Sanctuary. Music begins at 3:30 pm.

*The Rev. Werner Ramirez & Jaime Staehle, presiding.*

Early Candlelight Service. 7:30 pm – Sanctuary. Music begins at 7 pm.

*The Rev. Dr. Scott Black Johnston, preaching.*

Late Candlelight Service. 11 pm – Sanctuary. Music begins at 10:30 pm.

*The Rev. Dr. Scott Black Johnston, preaching.*

### **Christmas Day • Tuesday, Dec. 25**

Christmas Day Lessons and Carols. 11 am – Sanctuary.

*The Rev. Werner Ramirez and the Rev. Kate Dunn, presiding.*

*There is no 9:30 am service on Christmas Day.*

### **Next Sunday • First Sunday After Christmas Day**

"A Place to Call Home" • Luke 2: 41-52; Psalm 148

*The Rev. Kellie Picallo, preaching.*

**Let's Try This Again: Fifth Avenue Caroling!**

The cold rain kept us indoors last Sunday, so we've rescheduled Fifth Avenue Caroling for this afternoon! Following the 11 am service, join us on the Fifth Avenue steps as we bring the joy of the season to passersby. All voices are welcome!

**Meals on Heels Holiday Schedule**

Once again our Meals on Heels ministry will provide holiday meals for our homebound elderly neighbors. This week our volunteers meet on Tuesday morning to prepare a Christmas Day meal to be delivered immediately following the 11 am service, and again on Saturday (Dec. 29) for our regular meal preparation and deliveries. Volunteers are needed on both days. Contact: John Wyatt ([moh@fapc.org](mailto:moh@fapc.org)).

**Registration Opens for Don't Walk By**

Don't Walk By is the annual "search and rescue" mission on behalf of New York City's homeless population. Over four Saturdays in February, volunteers will walk every street in Manhattan, offering food, warm clothing, a blanket, and an opportunity to get off the streets and into transitional housing. On Feb. 16 Fifth Avenue will be the anchor church for East Side outreach. Don't Walk By needs volunteers to serve on street and subway engagement teams, as hospitality staff and as team leaders. To register, go to [rescuealliance.nyc.org/dontwalkby/](http://rescuealliance.nyc.org/dontwalkby/).

**Nominating Committee Seeks Officer Candidates**

The Nominating Committee is looking for your recommendations for the Officer Class of 2022 (to serve a three-year term), and for members-at-large on the 2020 Nominating Committee (a one-year term). Details on the officer nomination process, including an online recommendation form, are available at [fapc.org/officers](http://fapc.org/officers). You may also pick up a paper form at the reception desk. The Nominating Committee will consider all recommendations received by year-end.

**Looking Ahead to January**

Things get rolling quickly at Fifth Avenue in the New Year, as the pastors introduce a new sermon series, "The Next America: Spiritual Reflections on a Challenging Future," on Sunday, Jan. 6. Sunday School, Children's Church and Youth Group all resume that day, and Adult Education kicks off the winter curriculum with a presentation by John Sheehan, "Working with People Experiencing Homelessness." We also have a full day planned on Sunday, Jan. 20, with a special workshop and guest preacher for the Martin Luther King, Jr., national holiday. Membership classes return that day, and we host our annual Lunch and Game Day with Neighborhood Friends that afternoon. Pick up the winter issue of *The Voice* or check out [fapc.org](http://fapc.org) for full details on all that's happening next month.

**Reminder! Fulfill Your 2018 Pledge by Dec. 31**

The end of the tax year is just over one week away. If you plan to make a tax-deductible gift to Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church, or you have not fulfilled your 2018 pledge, or you plan to fulfill all or part of your capital campaign pledge, please do so by Monday, Dec. 31.

Thank you!

## GETTING CONNECTED

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### Adult Education

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Each spring and fall, we offer courses in theology and Scripture, spirituality, social issues and other disciplines. The curriculum includes visiting authors, interfaith dialogue and other events. The Employment Advisory program offers monthly seminars on career-related issues. All classes are free and open to all, with no registration required. Information on upcoming classes is available at [fapc.org/learning](http://fapc.org/learning).

### Community Life

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Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church offers an array of opportunities for community fellowship. We gather for congregation-wide events (such as Homecoming and the traditional Thanksgiving luncheon) several times a year. Community groups offer an opportunity for more intimate engagement within this large congregation. Many of our groups gather neighbors from a particular part of the city; others focus on spiritual questions particular to women, 20s+30s, older adults, couples, new members, parents and the LGBTQ community. Our social clubs—City Club, *CouplesPlus!* and the Fifth Avenue Fellowship Club—gather for dinners and cocktail parties, museum and theater outings, and other social events throughout the year. Learn more about all of these opportunities at [fapc.org/community](http://fapc.org/community). Contact: [communitylife@fapc.org](mailto:communitylife@fapc.org).

### Congregational Care

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If you (or others you know in our congregation) are going through a difficult time, we are here for you. We have a team of dedicated staff and volunteers who are available for counseling, home and hospital visits, medical escorts and prayer. You may also submit prayer requests at [fapc.org/pray](http://fapc.org/pray). Contact: [congregationalcare@fapc.org](mailto:congregationalcare@fapc.org).

### Family Ministries

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Family Ministries brings together people of diverse backgrounds and families of all definitions to nurture healthy children and strong, faithful families. We offer Sunday School, Youth Group, Children's Choir, Little Lambs (programming for infants to toddlers), community groups for parents, FAPC-U (our college ministry), Vacation Bible School and special events all year long. Learn more (and register your child) at [fapc.org/grow](http://fapc.org/grow). Contact: [familyministries@fapc.org](mailto:familyministries@fapc.org).

### Membership

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Our new members classes provide an introduction to Christianity and the Presbyterian tradition. The Believing and Belonging class provides an orientation to Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church. We welcome new members into the congregation on the Sunday following the Believing and Belonging class. Learn more about membership, including the schedule of upcoming classes, at [fapc.org/members](http://fapc.org/members). Contact: [membership@fapc.org](mailto:membership@fapc.org).

## Mission Partners

Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church supports a diverse group of mission partners whose missions and ministries align closely with our own. We invite you to get to know them:

The Bowery Mission	Jan Hus Presbyterian Church	Operation Exodus
The Bridge	& Neighborhood House	Parity
Church of Gethsemane	Ministry of Hope – Lesotho	Presbyterian Senior Services
Hands Along the Nile	Mission co-workers Cobbie &	Search and Care
Development Services	Dessa Palm – Philippines	West Side Federation for Senior
Holmes Presbyterian Camp	Mission co-workers Dan &	& Supportive Housing
& Conference Center	Elizabeth Turk – Madagascar	Womankind

We offer many volunteer opportunities through our mission partners as well. Read more at [fapc.org/mission-partners](http://fapc.org/mission-partners). Contact: [outreach@fapc.org](mailto:outreach@fapc.org).

## Music + Arts

Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church is home to a versatile program of arts in our worship and community life that endeavors to inspire, challenge and comfort all who encounter it, and to provide opportunities to share our artistic gifts. In addition to the Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church Choir and Chamber Choir, we offer the FAPC Community Choir, an entry-level ensemble that meets on Thursday evenings for rehearsal and fellowship. Contact: [music@fapc.org](mailto:music@fapc.org). Our Theatre Fellowship offers a mainstage production every spring, and staged readings, a cabaret and other events during the year. Contact: [theatre@fapc.org](mailto:theatre@fapc.org). The Arts & Our Faith Committee sponsors exhibitions of art, history and photography in the Chesnut Gallery, often featuring work by members of the congregation.

## 20s+30s

20s+30s is a diverse group of curious, adventurous people who are centered in our faith. We offer a number of programs to make you feel at home—our Sunday afternoon discussion group, service projects, social events, retreats and more. Join us! We're online at [fapc.org/20s30s](http://fapc.org/20s30s) and on Instagram @FAPC20s30s. Contact: [youngadults@fapc.org](mailto:youngadults@fapc.org).

## Volunteering

Volunteering is one of the most important ways we show that God's house is truly a place where all are welcome. Each week, members of this community serve as ushers and greeters, host in the David B. Skinner Shelter, prepare and deliver meals to the homebound, provide comfort and support to the elderly, lead tours for members and visitors, and work with the underserved of New York City. To learn more about our diverse volunteer opportunities, and how you can join in, visit [fapc.org/volunteer](http://fapc.org/volunteer) or email [volunteer@fapc.org](mailto:volunteer@fapc.org).

## Women's Association

The Women's Association invites the women (and men!) of the congregation to our program of education, service, prayer and benevolence. Our Tuesday luncheons (\$15, Bonnell Hall), featuring guest speakers and entertainment, are open to all. Our programs are listed every Sunday in the bulletin's Calendar of Events. Contact: [wassoc@fapc.org](mailto:wassoc@fapc.org).

## OFFICERS BY CLASS

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### The Session

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The Rev. Dr. Scott Black Johnston, *Moderator* • Matt Roush, *Clerk of Session*

Greg Dow, *Assistant Clerk of Session* • The Rev. Dr. Charlene Han Powell, *Executive Pastor*

The Rev. Kate Dunn, *Associate Pastor* • The Rev. Werner Ramirez, *Associate Pastor*

<u>Class of 2019</u>	<u>Class of 2020</u>	<u>Class of 2021</u>
Kirsten Aiello	Brenda Berkman	Jesse Allen
Erin Collier	Rusty Breedlove	Amanda DeMeola
Jeanne Lehman French	Marilyn Dawson	Meredith Fleck
Constance Hubbard	David DePugh	Suzan Habachy
Chaz Jackson	Greg Dow	Jane Hong
Reg McQuay	Josie Lawrence	Marc Lovci
Harrison Picallo	Matt Martinez	Phillip Ma
Matt Roush	Joanna McNurlen	Jeanne Pape
Susan Steele	Melanie Musgrove	Cody Powers
Amelia Vogler	Chris Robertson	Kalen Karnes Strickland

### The Board of Deacons

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Meg Sheehan, *Moderator* • Lori Lauman, *Vice Moderator* • Julia Ward, *Secretary*

Gary McKoy, *Treasurer*

<u>Class of 2019</u>	<u>Class of 2020</u>	<u>Class of 2021</u>
Evelyn Acosta	Mae Cheng-PaVon	Joel Arandia
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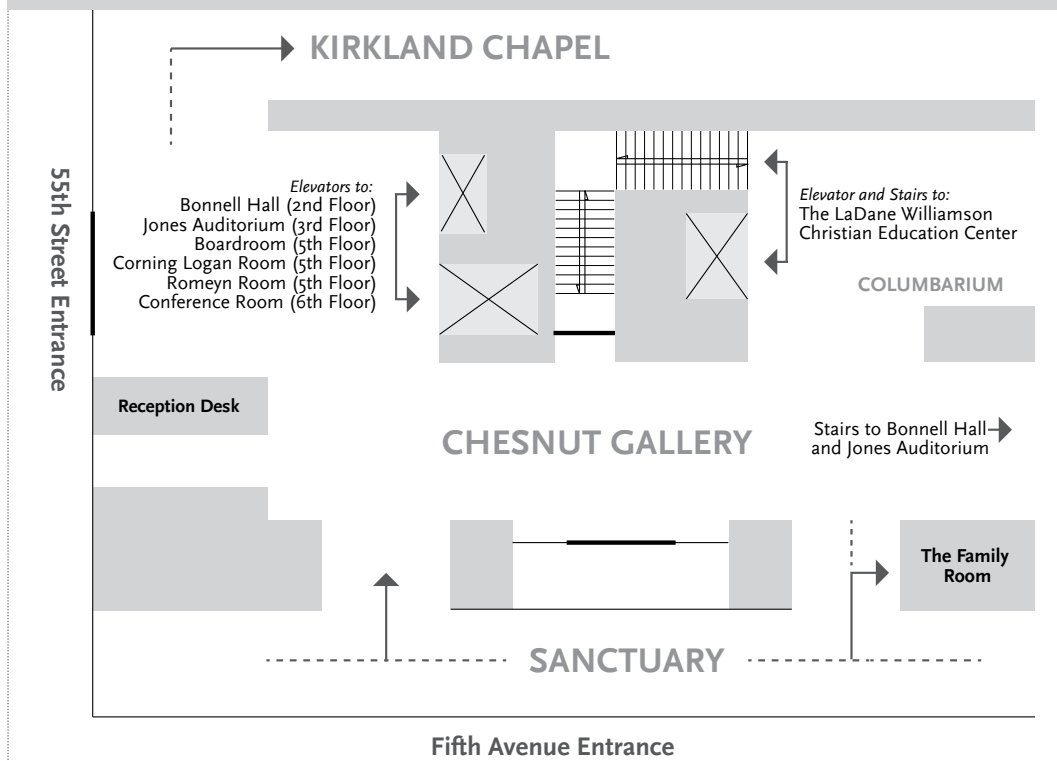
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